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POWER GENERATION IN JHARKHAND
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether power consumption and generation in Jharkhand is very low;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the power generated by the Damodar Valley Corporation is being used commercially;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to provide electricity directly to consumers for rural development, agriculture and irrigation in the State; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) & (b): Annual per capita consumption of electricity in the state of Jharkhand for the year 2007-08 was 643 kWh as against National Average of 717 kWh. The total energy generation of Jharkhand State Electricity Board (JSEB) including Tenughat Vidyut Nigam Ltd.(TVNL) and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) during 2007-08 and 2008-09 was 13,187 Million Unit and 14,087 Million Unit respectively.

The details of utility-wise / category-wise generation of electricity from the project located in the state of Jharkhand during the year 2007-08 and 2008-09 are as given below:-

Organization	Energy Generation (MU)	
	2007-08	2008-09
(A) JSEB		
(i) Thermal	4623	5421
(ii) Hydro	211	238
Sub total	4834	5659
(B) TVNL	1797	2222
(C) DVC	6556	6197
Total	13187	14078

(c) & (d): DVC is being run on sound commercial principles. During the year 2007-08, DVC earned net surplus of Rs.1126 crores after deduction of tax. The corresponding figure for the year 2008-09 (April`08-December`09) was Rs.812 crores. In keeping with

rapid industrialization in the DVC area, power generation, transmission and distribution gained priority for providing electricity to the core industries like steel, coal, railways and other industries / consumers directly and through respective State Electricity Boards (SEBs).

(e) & (f): Electricity being a concurrent subject, supply and distribution of electricity to various categories of consumers / sectors including agriculture and irrigation in a State come under the purview of the State Government/State Power Utility concerned. Government of India supplements the effort of State Government by establishing power projects through Central Power Sector Undertakings (CPSUs). However, with a view to provide access to electricity to all rural households, Government of India has launched a scheme named Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY).

22 Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for 22 Districts covering 19737 unelectrified villages and 29.26 lakhs rural households including 16.91 lakh BPL households have been sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs.2662.61 crores for the state of Jharkhand. So far 11,213 villages have been electrified and connections have been released to 7.2 lakh BPL households.